regarding the hurdles being created by the members of the Executive Committee in removing the corruption in MCI.

UN AIDS report on HIV

2981. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the recent UN AIDS report on HIV which have expressed that AIDS is growing at alarming rate in the country;

(b) the number of HIV/AIDS patients detected during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the specific action taken regarding containing AIDS and to make India AIDS free country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Government are aware of the recent UN AIDS report "AIDS epidemic update—December, 2001" wherein it has been expressed that "India's epidemic is also strikingly diverse, both among and within States".

(b) A Statement is annexed. (*See* below).

(c) In order to prevent and control of HIV/AIDS, a comprehensive programme is currently under implementation throughout the country as a 100 percent Centrally sponsored scheme. The main components of the programme consists of:—

- Reducing the spread of HIV in groups at high risk by identification of target population and providing peer counselling, condom promotion and treatment of sexually transmitted infections.
- Preventive intervention for the general population by Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and awareness campaign, provision of voluntary testing and counselling, safe blood transfusion services and prevention of occupational exposure.

- Providing financial assistance for opportunistic infections, home and community based care.
- Strengthening effectiveness and technical, managerial, financial sustainability of the intervention programmes at national, State and community levels.
- Promoting collaboration amongst public, private and voluntary sectors.

Statement

Reported AIDS cases in India (State-wise) during last three years (1999—2001)

S.No.	State	1999	2000	2001
1	2	3	4	5
1.	A and N Island	0	9	8
2.	Andhra Pradesh	2	0	1217
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
4.	Assam	11	62	30
5.	Bihar	0	36	53
6.	Chandigarh	124	114	189
7.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	0	0	0
8.	Daman and Diu	0	0	0
9.	Delhi	0	64	358
10.	Goa	7	10	46
11.	Gujarat	1	245	877
12.	Haryana	0	47	141
13.	Himachal Pradesh	16	15	51
14.	Jammu and Kashmir	0	0	0
15.	Karnataka	47	541	516
16.	Kerala	0	56	105

1	2	3	4	5
17.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
18.	Madhya Pradesh	116	294	139
19.	Maharashtra	64	348	2728
20.	Manipur	61	364	307
21.	Meghalaya	0	0	0
22.	Mizoram	7	3	5
23.	Nagaland	19	51	131
24.	Orissa	0	52	28
25.	Pondicherry	0	0	0
26.	Punjab	52	31	4
27.	Rajasthan	27	106	136
28.	Sikkim	0	0	2
29.	Tamil Nadu	2730	4206	6484
30.	Tripura	0	0	0
31.	Uttar Pradesh	41	93	202
32.	West Bengal	0	0	668
33.	A, bad Munci. Corp.	0	0	189
	TOTAL:	3325	6747	14614

Amendment in MTP Act

2982. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act is being amended to avoid delay in MTP in rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the amendments are likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Government is taking steps to introduce the Medical Termination of